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SUBJECT:COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT: RESPONSE TO  
LETTERS FROM THE SECRETARY

THE SECRETARY DISPATCHED LETTERS TO HEADS OF STATE  
AND MINISTERS OF SELECTED GOVERNMENTS IN PREPARATION  
FOR THE SUMMIT. FOCUS OF LETTERS WAS PUERTO RICO  
AND KOREA ISSUES. NOTED BELOW FOR EMBASSY  
INFORMATION ARE REACTIONS TO THE LETTERS RECEIVED  
TO DATE FROM RECIPIENTS, OR THEIR SURROGATES.

AFGHANISTAN: LETTER TO PRESIDENT DAOUD. DEPUTY  
(DE FACTO) FONMIN ABDULLAH SUPPORTED US ON BOTH  
ISSUES, BUT DID NOT WISH TO APPEAR ISOLATED IN NAM.  
EXPECTED TO CONSULT WITH LIKE-MINDED COUNTRIES  
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SUCH AS INDIA AND INDONESIA, BUT NOT OPTIMISTIC

ON OUTCOME. AFGHANS APPARENTLY TAKING US APPROACHES VERY SERIOUSLY, HOWEVER.

EGYPT: LETTER TO FONMIN FAHMY. FAHMY CONCURRED WITH US POSITION ON PUERTO RICO AND WOULD ARGUE AGAINST ATTEMPTS TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE. ON KOREA, HE DID NOT DISPUTE FAIRNESS OF US PROPOSALS, BUT HAD TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT DPRK POSITION. AS A WAY OUT OF DILEMMA,

APPARENTLY HE IS CONSIDERING THE IDEA THAT THE UN COMMAND MIGHT BE ABOLISHED IF THE ARMISTICE SOMEHOW COULD BE MAINTAINED.

MALAYSIA: LETTER TO FONMIN RITHAUDDEEN. ON KOREA, WILL CALL FOR RECONCILIATION AND RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS. WILL OPPOSE EXTREME LANGUAGE, AND IF NECESSARY, WILL DISASSOCIATE FROM UNACCEPTABLE RESOLUTION. ON PUERTO RICO, WILL NOT SUPPORT ANY RESOLUTION FAVORING CUBAN POSTURE, BUT NEITHER WILL IT TAKE ACTIVE ROLE IN ATTEMPTING TO PREVENT DISCUSSION OF THE ISSUE.

NEPAL: LETTER TO KING BIRENDRA. ON KOREA, BIRENDRA FEELS THAT RESOLUTION OF PROBLEM SHOULD BE THROUGH QUOTE BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN CONCERNED PARTIES UNQUOTE, RATHER THAN INCLUDING COUNTRIES NOT INVOLVED DIRECTLY. HE FELT CUBANS WOULD RAISE THE PUERTO RICO QUESTION, BUT DID NOT INDICATE NEPALESE SUPPORT OF US.

SIERRA LEONE : LETTER TO PRESIDENT STEVENS. GOSL SUPPORTIVE ON BOTH KOREA AND PUERTO RICO, BUT UNSURE HOW FAR IN FRONT THEY WILL GO ON EITHER ISSUE. APPARENTLY, PRIME MINISTER OPPOSED TO MORE EVEN-HANDED POLICY TOWARD SOUTH KOREA.

TANZANIA: LETTER TO PRESIDENT NYERERE: BASED ON NYERERE'S PERSONAL RESPONSE TANGOV SUPPORTS QUOTE PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION OF KOREA AND THE WITHDRAWAL  
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OF UNITED NATIONS TROOPS UNQUOTE. HE DID NOT ADDRESS PUERTO RICO. HE REACTED ADVERSELY TO OUR ENERGETIC LOBBYING OF HIM ON THESE ISSUES WITH RESPECT TO COLOMBO.

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO: LETTER TO PRIMIN WILLIAMS. WILLIAMS ACKNOWLEDGED INTEREST IN PREVENTING EXPLOITATION OF PUERTO RICO STATUS IN INTERNATIONAL

FORA. DID NOT WISH TO BE BOTHERED WITH KOREA- LACK OF INTEREST IN SUMMIT EVIDENT IN LEVEL OF GOTT REPRESENTATION.

ZAMBIA: LETTER TO PRESIDENT KAUNDA. NO DIRECT COMMENT FROM KAUNDA. APPEARS FONMINISTRY MAY HAVE RECEIVED INSTRUCTION TO REVIEW KOREA POSITION. APPARENT OPEN-MINDEDNESS IS NOT BEING INTERPRETED NECESSARILY AS PRECURSER TO PRO-US STANCE, HOWEVER,..  
SENEGAL: LETTER TO PRESIDENT SENGHOR. EXTRACTED FROM HIS PERSONAL RESPONSE, SENGHOR IS QUOTE COMPLETELY IN AGREEMENT UNQUOTE ON THE PUERTO RICO ISSUE. ON KOREA, HE YET SEEKS QUOTE GROUNDS FOR DYNAMIC COMPROMISE UNQUOTE. PURPORTEDLY HE HAS SO INSTRUCTED BOTH DIOUF AND SECK.

SINGAPORE: LETTER TO FONMIN RAJARATNAM. PUERTO RICO CONSIDERED INTERNAL MATTER. WILL OPPOSE ANY EFFORT TO INTRODUCE ISSUE AT COLOMBO. ON KOREA, WILL OPPOSE ONE-SIDED RESOLUTION HOSTILE TO ROK. GOS MORE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT ADDRESSING KOREAN ISSUE AT UNGA, THAN AT SUMMIT.

COMMENT: CLEARLY NO EXPLICIT USE SHOULD BE MADE OF THESE RESULTS. THEY ARE PROVIDED ONLY AS INDICATIONS OF WHAT KIND OF SUPPORT MAY BE EXPECTED IN THE DELEGATIONS INVOLVED. EVEN IF A PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT SHOULD, AT HIS INITIATIVE, REFER TO CORRESPONDENCE, EMBASSY AND USUN OBSERVER SHOULD NOT DISPLAY EXPLICIT AWARENESS OF CONTENT OF RECIPIENT'S REPLY. HOWEVER, IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, AWARENESS OF FACT THAT AN EXCHANGE OF LETTERS OCCURRED MAY BE INDICATED. EMBASSY SHOULD NOT DIVULGE NATURE OF THESE REPLIES OR LIST OF RECIPIENTS TO ROK DELEGATION.  
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IT MAY, OF COURSE, SHARE ASSESSMENTS WITH ROK OF WHERE VARIOUS DELEGATIONS STAND ON KOREA ISSUE BUT THIS SHOULD NOT BE DONE WITH REFERENCE TO LETTERS. ROK'S MAY KNOW OF DELIVERY OF CERTAIN OF THESE LETTERS THROUGH CORE GROUP COORDINATION IN CERTAIN CAPITALS BUT CONTENT HAS NOT BEEN SHARED AND SHOULD REMAIN CLOSELY HELD. END COMMENT. ROBINSON

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